## **IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please enter any changes in the claims indicated in the complete copy of the pending claims, as sought to be amended, presented below:

- 1. (Currently Amended) A carrier system comprising:
- a system for securing an object comprising:
  - a releasable adjustable fastening mechanism having a first and second end and comprising a fixed an attachment point at the first end and an entry point toward the second end; and
  - a <u>first flexible strap segment</u> serpentine article threaded, at one end of the <u>first strap</u>

    <u>segment serpentine article</u>, through the entry point and engaged in the releasable
    adjustable fastening mechanism and, at the other end of the <u>first strap segment</u>

    <u>serpentine article</u>, fixedly attached to the attachment point <u>thereby forming a</u>

    <u>single adjustable first loop having an interior about which the first loop encloses</u>
    and an exterior; and
  - a handle formed of a single non-adjustable, closed second loop of a second flexible strap segment, of circumference selected for use as such a manual handle, fixedly attached to the first strap segment to form such manual handle on the exterior of the first loop serpentine article and attached to a proximate portion of the first loop serpentine article within defined by approximately 6 inches of the first strap segment measured from the first strap segment's connection to the fixed attachment first end, the handle non-adjustable loop facilitating transport or hanging an object held by the carrier securing system;

wherein releasing the first strap segment consists essentially of unthreading the first strap segment from the fastening mechanism.

2. (**Original**) The carrier system of claim 1 wherein the releasable adjustable fastening mechanism is a buckle.

- 3. (Currently Amended) The carrier system of claim 2 wherein the buckle comprises an engagement surface and a cam that at one end engages the <u>first strap segment</u> and presses it against the engagement surface to lock the engagement when pressure is applied to push the <u>first strap segment</u> away from the second end of the buckle, said buckle free of any spring for biasing the cam.
- 4. (Canceled).
- 5. (**Previously Amended**) The system of claim 1 wherein the <u>handle</u> <del>non-adjustable, closed loop</del> is from approximately -4- <u>7</u> inches in circumference to approximately 12 inches in circumference.
- 6. (Canceled).
- 7. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 1/2 4, wherein the non-adjustable, closed loop proximate portion is defined by positioned within approximately 3 inches of strap measured from the first strap segment's connection to fixed attachment the first end of the serpentine article.
- 8. (Previously Amended) The system of claim 1, wherein the <u>handle</u> non-adjustable, closed loop is produced by folding and affixing the <u>a strap</u> serpentine article in a "S" curve to form the first strap segment and second strap segment, such that <u>a top of the S curve directly connects with</u>, and is integral to, the proximate strap portion, a top one of the opposing "C" section sections of the S curve forms the <u>handle</u>, and a bottom opposed "C" section is attached together along with a segment of the proximate strap portion loop.

- 9. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 8 wherein the <u>handle</u> non-adjustable, closed loop is affixed by folding and sewing, tacking <u>or</u>, stitching the <u>strap</u> serpentine article in the "S" curve.
- 10. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 3 4, wherein the handle non-adjustable, closed loop is produced by folding and affixing the a strap serpentine article in a "S" curve to form the first strap segment and second strap segment, such that a top of the S curve directly connects with, and is integral to, the proximate strap portion, a top one of the opposing "C" section sections of the S curve forms the handle, and a bottom opposed "C" section is attached together along with a segment of the proximate strap portion loop.
- 11. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 10, wherein the <u>handle</u> non-adjustable, closed loop is affixed by folding and sewing, tacking <u>or</u>, stitching the <u>strap</u> serpentine article in the "S" curve.
- 12. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 10, wherein the <u>handle non-adjustable</u>, closed loop is from approximately -4- 7 inches in circumference to approximately 12 inches in circumference.
- 13. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 7, wherein the <u>handle non-adjustable</u>, closed loop is produced by folding and affixing the <u>a strap serpentine article</u> in a "S" curve to form the <u>first strap segment and second strap segment</u>, such that <u>a top of the S curve directly connects</u> with, and is integral to, the proximate strap portion, a top one of the opposing "C" <u>section</u> sections of the S curve forms the <u>handle</u>, and a bottom opposed "C" section is attached together along with a segment of the proximate strap portion loop.

- 14. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the <u>handle</u> non-adjustable, closed loop is affixed by folding and sewing, tacking <u>or</u>, stitching the <u>strap</u> serpentine article in the "S" curve.
- 15. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 13, wherein the <u>handle non-adjustable, closed loop</u> is from approximately 4-7 inches in circumference to approximately 12 inches in circumference.

## 16. (Canceled).

17. (Currently Amended) The system of claim 7, wherein the <u>handle</u> non-adjustable, closed loop is from approximately 4- 7 inches in circumference to approximately 12 inches in circumference.

## 18-19. (Canceled).

- 20. (New) The system of claim 1, wherein the handle is attached to the first loop at a position separated from the fixed attachment and the proximate portion is defined by approximately 3 inches of strap measured from the first strap segment's connection to fixed attachment.
- 21. (New) The system of claim 2, wherein the handle is attached to the first loop at a position separated from the fixed attachment and the proximate portion is defined by approximately 3 inches of strap measured from the first strap segment's connection to fixed attachment.
- 22. (New) The system of claim 3, wherein the handle is attached to the first loop at a position separated from the fixed attachment and the proximate portion is defined by approximately 3 inches of strap measured from the first strap segment's connection to fixed attachment.

- 23. (New) The system of claim 5, wherein the handle is attached to the first loop at a position separated from the fixed attachment and the proximate portion is defined by approximately 3 inches of strap measured from the first strap segment's connection to fixed attachment.
- 24. (New) The system of claim 7, wherein the handle is attached to the first loop at a position separated from the fixed attachment and the proximate portion is defined by approximately 3 inches of strap measured from the first strap segment's connection to fixed attachment.
- 25. (New) The system of claim 8, wherein the handle is attached to the first loop at a position separated from the fixed attachment and the proximate portion is defined by approximately 3 inches of strap measured from the first strap segment's connection to fixed attachment.